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lus to the African Methodist Episoopal Church in these borders, which can scarcely be appreciated by one at a distance. As everyone knows, Zion was a great funancial burden on African Methodism, for great sums of momey have been spent on its rebellions Pastor for near ten long years, and yet the corner-stone principles of the A. M. E. Church have never been taught the people here in or outside of his immediate congregation. For example, many did not know that the A. M. E. Church is a self-supporting face Church. Many were ignorant of the fact that Negroes rule within our connection Many thought some great white-man-organization conducted our affairs. Negro Bishops were unknown to many. If the dissolution was to come, now is the time. I had no official relations with that ungrateful man, nor with any of his misguided followers. They rebelled February 22nd, and my first Quarterly Conference was to convene with them, not until-March 28, 1897. This ungrateful correspondent body.

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Chief Pa Kompoo looks as though he might be an elder brother of Dr. Parks, and wears beard similar to our energetic Secretary of Missions.

Finally—
"Amid the trials which I meet,
Amid the thorns which pierce my feet,

Amid the thorns which pierce my feet, One thought remains supremely sweet, Thou THINKEST LORD, OF ME."

Faithfully for Africa and African dethodism, F. G. SNELSON. April 1st, 1897.

Sister Hannah Byron, Class Leader OUR MISSIONARY WORK.

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services, and reggets for parting with me.

The following letter from Rev. H.
M. Steady, of Freetown, Sierra-Leone, while strictly personal, we publish at the risk of his objections. Brother Steady is one of the most modest, scholarly and efficient missionaries among the native Africans we have in that continent, and has been the supporter and henchman of Rev. J. R. Frederick beyond all of our missionaries in Sierra Leone, and we were apprehencontinent, and has been the supporter and henchman of Rev. J. R. Frederick beyond all of our missionaries in Sierra Leone, and we were apprehensive that he would follow our unfortunate and misguided brother in his rebellion. But this letter settles all apprehensions, and shows beyond question that he remembers his ordination wows and his pledge to maintain the honor, unity and promotion of his dehurch. We have lost nothing in the church hor members belong to us. It was merely a church without a pastor which were worshiping under our service, but held themsolves as independent. But read the letter of Elder Steady:

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FREETOWN, SIERRA LEONE,
Soldier St., West Africa.
March 29th, 1897.
Right Rev. H. M. Turner, D. D., L. L. D.,
Bishop of the A. M. E. Churches in Africa.
Dear Bishop: Possibly Presiding Elder Snelson's letter relative to existing state of affairs as regards our work in Freetown must have reached you. I deem it necessary, though, to write you myself of the disconnection of St. John's charge (Marcon) to which I was assigned in the Conference of May '95, and re-appointed in the Cenference of August '96 under the presidency of Dr. W. H. Heard,

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On Saturday, the 27th of February 97, at 9 s. m., I received a letter from Brother J. S. Reid, Secretary of the Board of Stewards, as follows:

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Will Not Be a Perjurer Before God and the Church That Gave Him His Status.

GRAND LETTER FROM A GREAT MAN.

The following letter from Rev. H.

During the week of March 1st Pre-

undertaking an enterprise of a missionary character.

Oh, I wish I could sound a trumpet of retreat to our brethren on the opposite side and call them to concentrate their forces against the common enemy, for why should we wage war with ourselves, for we are brethren?

It is my determination though, on the grounds of PRINCIPLE, PATHIFUL-NESS and the stability of the Church, to stand at my post and work hard for its success.

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before the examination of characters we made every Presiding Elder stand up one at a time and inquired as to his moral, religious and official character, and explained the meaning of official in full, and called upon any missionary, as well as the others, to mark him if he had failed to do his whole duty. Why did not Johnson help the Bishop to probe the question to the bottom? It was his privilege and duty, find he stands guilty before God if he failed to do it. Brother Johnson says he knows of several instances in the Georgia Conference when matters touching the moral qualifications of Presiding Elders have been subjected to sham investigations and the Elders have been exonerated, and yet he made no appeal to the House of Bishops, or to the General Conference, from these sham investigations, when he knew that the Annual Conference was exonerating these immoral men; and yet this is the great champion who would like to be a Presiding Elder, possible Bishop, or some other distinguished dignitary in the church, when, in fact, according to his own words, he ought to be expelled from the Connection for concealing dirt and filth till now; for if he first his young men are so well educated, they must have known that they could appeal from the action of the Bishop, Conference and these REV. W. D. JOHNSON, JR., thinks hat Presiding Elder Hilson would of have been promoted had not omebody else died. Possibly the who died would not have been other who died would not have been adde a Presiding Elder had not me one else died. Foor reasoning a strong man. But he places est stress upon an appointment to a Presiding Eldership being a probliom. Yes, and it is that nonsenlai jargon that has almost wrecked a church. We deny that taking an deer from the pastorste and comforts home and family is any promotion. Presiding Elder has to stroll around aid cold, heat, dust, eat what he can id cold, heat, dust, eat what he can amid cold, heat, dust, eat what he can catch up, contend with poor beds, often nearly freeze, fire-less houses and wrestle with bed-bugs, fleas and other vermin, rise before day, often sit up all night, preach three times on Sabbath and frequently every night in the week, bothering with Church fusses and confusions, preparing him-self amid every disadvantage to exam-ine candidates for the ministry on geography, history, grammar, logicy me candidates for the ministry on geography, history, grammar, logic, bible doctrines, articles of faith, the-ology, archeology and everything in the realm of pantology, and often he scarcely collects traveling. collects traveling expenses, salary; and this does not tell e hardships and much less salary; and this does not tell half of the hardships and almost dog life of a Presiding Elder who does his duty. We had rather be a pastor of a Church that pays ns \$300 a year than to receive \$900 or \$1,000 as a Presiding Elder. Does Brother Johnson not know that it takes a greater man to preach to the same congregation for two years, or even one year, and give them fresh sermons and new dockrines every time he preaches, than it does to be a Presiding Elder, preaching the same old sermons over

than it does to be a Presiding Elder, preaching the same old sermons over reverywhere he goes for three months at a time, as it is charged some de? Does Brother Johnson not know that the Presiding Eldership will dwarf and almost ruin any preacher, unless, as the studies day and night and is careful to watch and guard against preaching from the same old text and riding the same old hobby sermon? Is that what Brother Johnson calls promotion? If so we are sorry for his judgment.

Rev. W.D. Johnson, Jr. speaks about Revs. L. H. Smith and S. D. Roseborough being taken down from the presiding eldership and others. Where did such nonsensical babble as that come from? Brother Johnson cannot be its author. No man is taken down when he is changed from the presiding eldership and sent to a charge where he has the impredict oversity of the sent to a charge where REV. W. D. JOHNSON, JR., Says: REV. W. D. JOHNSON, JR., says: "I again affirm that turn about is fair play, and the Presiding Eldership and pastorage of prominent charges should not be monopolized by one set of meu; all should have an equal chance." Yes, and that is the reason why there so many dead failures all over-our church. Ministers who pretend to be called of God, instead of trying to gather in souls and multiply large congregations, are going around trying to ien he is changed from the presiding lership and sent to a charge where has the immediate oversight of im-ortal souls as no presiding elder can we. This rigmarcle gibberish, this shulous 'spinosity has imparted to ir church a blighting sentiment hich has done infinite mischief. th has done infinite mischief, speed the day when men shall a not to manufacture phrases and ences which curse our church ugh its ignorant ministry, instead lessing it. We say, with all due, eet to Bro. Johnson, that any man will charge that changing a ministil charge that changing a ministry. on their way to death and hell to crethrough its ignorant ministry, instead of blessing it. We say, with all despects the nation, certainly in Georgia. It is respect to Bro. Johnson, that any man who will charge that changing a minister from the Frestiding Eldership to the industry of the Bishoper in the state of the state of

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a list of names, who would make most excellent Presiding Elders, two of whom he knows, if he knows anything is about them, should have been located at their last conferences for downright inefficiency, if their reports were entitled to any consideration. He evidently is no aspirant for the Bishopric dotherwise he would not advertise his limited judgment in a few of the persons he mentions. His reference to George III and R. B. Hayes shows to a demonstration that he has read a but little history. We could eath him up on that line, but we will spare him for another day. Brother Johnson hays: "If Bishop Turner had not awanted to be a Bishop he would not have been one." A thousand men have heard Bishop Turner say that he in never wanted to be a Bishop, and we beg to inform Brother Johnson that H. M. Turner never asked a man in heaven, earth or hell to vote to make him a Bishop. He did, however, as pire to be editor of the Christian Recorder, but he never wanted to be a Bishop. Bishop Turner was literally drigged into the Bishoprie against his will, as Johnson will be, if he will work for God and the church, and trample self beneath his feet. Bro. Johnson says that he has heard no Bishop in seven years ask about new work, or self-sustaining work, or if the Presiding Elders visited the different points in their - Districts. We will simply, say, if he did not hear it at his last conference, he is evidently growing deaf, for before the examination of characters we made every Presiding Elder stand up one at a time and inquired as to his moral, religious and official character, and explained the mening of official character, and a proper such as a such as the such as a content of the presiding deaf, for before the examination of characters we made every Presiding Elder stand up one at a time and inquired as to his moral, religious and official character, and explained the mening of official in the such and a such and the character and

The African International Migration Society advertisement will be seen in another column and eagerly read. Never was such an opportunity offered for the Negro to get freedom and manhood. For there is no more future for the Negro in this country than for a frog in a snake den. The colored race is as sure to be exterminated as the Indian has been reduced from 50,000,000, when Columbus discovered this country, to some 60,000 at the present time. In 50 years from now the Indians will be as extinct as the mound builders, or Troglodyte races are. And unless the Negro leaves this country he will cease to exist. They are. And unless the Negro leaves this country he will cease to exist. They are now not only lynching three, five and seven at a time, but are lynching women and killing children. And what is the Negro doing to try to live? Nothing. Those in politics are simply secking office. And the religious leaders of the race are splitting theoretical hairs about social equality, internarriage, pray and do nothing, leading pure lives, while other races are cutting throats and blowing out brains, both in Europe and America. This the Negro cannot do, we grant, This the Negro cannot do, we grant, but a dog has sense enough to run when he sees he cannot fight his an-tagonists. It will be seen that persons can go to Africa, almost as cheas to New York, by this society.

TUSKEGER Institute, Prof. Booker T TUSKEGER Institute, Froi. Booker 1. Washington, president, was visited by us for the first time, May the 9th, and we are frank to say that so far as its buildings, machinery and conveniences in every particular, it is one of the most prodigious institutions we have less that we have cherished some prejudice against the great school of Prof. Washington because we thought he was seeking the popularity of the whites at the expense of his own race. But any finan who can collect the best end of \$100,000 a year and send out hundreds yearly, male and female, with trade and hydrogen gening to end of \$100,000 a year and send out hundreds yearly, male and female, with trades and business genius, to make a living for themselves and for their posterity, is welcome to succeed, through any policy possible, so far as we are concerned. We expect to re-visit the school and describe it more fully and in the meantime, we say, God save Booker T. Washington.

educated, they must have known that they could appeal from the action of the Bishop, Conference and these sham investigators to the House of Bishops, and from them to the General Conference. Gracious, gracious, what a champion; what a defender of morals; what a holy man; what a moral hero, to allow these immioral Presiding Elders to be shammed off on the preachers and people as righteous leaders, when he knew to the contrary. We do not mean that when an Annual Conference exonerates or clears a members from a charge that the House of Bishops or the General Conference can reopen that special case, for a man cannot be tried twice for the same crime when he was acquitted Rev. A. J. STOKES of Montgomery of morals, what a holy man; what a moral hero, to allow these immoral Presiding Elders to be shammed off on the preachers and people as righteous leaders, when he knew to the contrary. We do not mean that when an Annual Conference exonerates or clears a members from a charge that the House of Bishops or the General Conference can reopen that special case, for a man cannot be tried twice for the aame crime when he was acquitted at the first trial. But there can be such an appeal made as will put even an Annual Conference upon its guard, when annual Conference upon its guard, when annual Conference and thus prevent the several instances that Brother Johnson refers to, evidently covering a number of years. But the House of Bishops has the power and will unipasity that the first trial instances that Brother Johnson refers to, evidently covering a number of years. But the House of Bishops has the power and will unipasity that the first trial is the House of the House of the House of the Philadelphia press is one of Bishops has the power and will unipasity that the House of the present the several instances that Brother House of the Hous at the first trial. But there can be such an appeal made as will put even an AnnualConference upon its guard, when another instance arises, and thus prevent the several instances that Brother Johnson refers to, evidently covering a number of years. But the House of Bishops has the power and will unitesitatingly take any of its Epischust members to task who will impose downright immoral men upon the people, for the appointments belong-to-the Bishops, and if need be, to the House of Bishops, in any part of the connection, regardless of Episcopal Districts. but the Philadelphia pro but the Philadelphia press is one of the mostfriendly papers to the colored race in the United States, and has re-ported our speeches at least 20 times, and have never so misrepresented our remarks. However, they may have misunderstood the remarks of Bro. Stokes, and as that was his first time to visit the north it may teach him to be

ate a thousand large churches and their abilities to lead the congregations in almost every state of the nation, certainly in Georgia. It is that very spirit that has prevented the would have others believe.

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specialists.

In our May issue appeared a full account of such an occurrence and it has been the subject of considerable com-

ment.

Such a remedy is worthy of more than a passing notice. Our article chronicled the wonderful experience of Thomas P. Bigg, who lives in Cleveland, Ohio, at No. 1073 St. Clair street, He had been suffering from locomotor ataxia for nearly five years. His stomach troubled him at first and his physician said he had acute indigestion. About four years ago he was suddenly attacked with paralysis in his legs, and for a long while he could move about only with the said of crutches. Previous to this attack he noticed that his knees were a little stiff, and he had sort of a rheamatic pain in them. All kind of remedies were used and many physicians consulted, but he did not derive any benefit. Finally he was induced to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. After using them a while accommenced this treatment his legs were perfectly numb, cold and nothing would warm them, but after taking the pills for four months he experienced a comfortable feeling of warmth in his comfortable feeling of warmth in his comfortable feeling of warmth in his lowef limbs. He said he felt like shouting when he obtained this long-desired relief, and realized that he was escaping from his bondage. The pills also had a wonderful effect upon Mr. Bigg's stomach. For thirty-five years his stomach had been in a poor c.mdition, nothing would stay on it. Now, he finds that food will remain on his stomach and he eats with a feeling of case. A remedy that accomplishes

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such a department, that thousands would sit down upon it and do nothing, and even teach their members rebellion, when they ask for money and fail to get it, and that the little pittance which the department got would amount to nothing, compared to the tance which the department got would amount to nothing, compared to the wants and needs of lazy preachers and stingy congregations. We contended that if the people were taught to depend upon themselves, that we would build and pay for five times more churches than if we had a church eschurches than and fails to receive the amount asked for, creates grumblers, whiteers, fault-finders and rebels. We have stewards and stewardesses where the preachers and congregations are making threats about what they do not intend to do, suck as "I am not going to work so hard for dollar money next year, when we cannot get any to help us in our struggle," "other churches are getting all our money in the consecrate this kind of bread. We are the preachers are getting all our money." blers, whiners, fault-finders and rebels—
We have heard of a dozen instances shere the preachers and congregations are making threats about what they do not intend to do, such as "I am not going to work so hard for dollar money next year, when we cannot get any to to help us in our struggle," "other churches are getting all our money, and we can't get any," "Dr. Shaffer has got more red tape about getting a little money to help us on our building than we ean't get any, money to help our missions, is because them big churches that ought te be helping us, are getting it all." etc., etc. These are only a few of the many fault-finding expressions which have been brought to our attention. When, in fact, Dr. Shaffer and the Church Extension board could no more meet the demands than they can fly, if all the dollar money, this sionary money, Sabbath school money, book concern money and every other money were poured into their treasury. Nobody, with any sense, blames Shaffer or his department, thut we do blame the legislation that created the department, during the present unreasonable and limited conceptional state of our people. Pressing engagements compels us to slipp at this point, but we shall say more in the future, if life is spared.

We have oceans of communications for the Voice or Missions. We cannot get a third of it in the paper. We have a dozen district conference reports which will likely never be published:

The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Convention, for the state of Georgia, is hereby changed, from meeting in Macon, Georgia, Jaly 14th to Milladgeville, Georgia, on the same date. Milledgeville is but a short distance from Macon, it is in a few miles of the center of the state, and the ladies who attend can have no complaint about the distance being unequal, except the advantage some will have, by living nearer the place of meeting. Pastors and Presiding Edders of Georgia are directed to announce this change from their pulpits. And we hope the husbands, brothers and fathers, of the lady delegates, will supply them with a little extra change to assist in meeting their boarding expenses, for three days at most, should it be found necessary, as Milledgeville is not as large as Macon, and the people may not be as well able to provide. There will be no change in the Alabama Convention of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, which will meet July 7th-at Solms, Alabama. H. M. TURNER.

April 25th, 97. Bishop H. M. Tur-ner. I subscribed to you at the Ala-bama Conference, held at Opelika, Dec. 1896. I handed you the money in the Church to pay for my sub-scription. Yours truly, A. Banks.

REV. HENRY HARTLEY, M. D.,

letters and often then when they with blotting or blurring pens. Rev. Hartley, however, is a fine scholar and widely read, but like most of great men, he writes carelessly. We have

naries, however, is a moscholar an widely read, but like most of greamen, he writes carelessly. We have much bother in that direction from large number of our foreign correspondents.

SAY, you brethren in Africa and West Indies who write for the Voice of Missions, stop writing on both sides of the paper and page your manuscript. We have piles of manuscript here for

no figures to tell how the pages run, and you sign your name so artistically or rather foolishly, that no man in America is able to tell what it is, and we are going to throw your manuscript away as nobody but God could put it in shape. One-half of the time we cannot tell where it is from, for if the place is written nobody can read it. We do not intend to bother anymore with such foolish manuscript.

REV. D. K. TURNER, of Arkansas, with small country churches, has taken from 15 to 25 copies of the Voice of his church regularly, and has paid into this office \$33.30 cts in the past three years for the Voice, while many of our brethren, with large city churches, do not take one, and some who do take them owe \$33.00 on the paper, while numbskulls are parading their names for the Bishopric and General Offices, and we are waiting to see some of them elected.

a going aouth, including Mitchell and Thomas counties, to the line of Florids, running west to the Chattahocchee river, and all intermediate territory of the above described limits. The new Conference takes in twenty-two counties. Several names wee suggested, and after much discussion, a resolution was adopted requesting the Bishop to name the Conference, and he gave it the name of the Southwest Georgia Annual Conference. We believe however, that the Florida Southern railroad, running from Macon to the Florida line, should have been the castern boundary, which would have included the counties of worth, Colquit and Brooks, and we apprehend that, notwithstanding the commissioners were clothed with plenipotentiary power, that the ministers of the two Conferences will insist upon that line, for we believe those counties justly belong to the new Conference, as the old Georgia Conference still bas 33 counties and many of them are twice and three times as large as most of the counties in the new Conference.

We clip the following from high au-thority—can it be true? We know it is possible, for we could keep such things ten thousand years with our knowl-edge of science, if it was possible to

it, is the question.

The most remarkable dinner ever spread with butter that was made when Elizabeth was queen of England; and I washed down the repast with wine that was old when Columbus was playing barefoot with the boys of Genoa. The apples were from an earthen jar taken from the ruins of Pompeli. The wheat was taken from a chamber in one of the pyramids, the butter from a stone shelf in an old well in Sectiand, where for several centuries it had lain in an earthen crock in icy water, and the wine was recovered from an old vault in the City and a chappoonful of the bread and a teaspoonful of the wine, but was per-mitted to help himself bountifully to the butter, there being several pounds of it. The apple jar held about two-thirds of a gallon. The fruit was sweet and as finely flavored as if it had been put up yesterday."

of letters piled up that we cannot read, much less reply to. And secretaries saying, "Bishop, you cught to give your attention to this and to that, and you had better stay at home and do it, for you have matters more important than running to this and that place merely to preach or lecture." And frequently whan we do go, get nothing for traveling expenses. A conductor had to bring us home on credit. Hundreds of applications for recommendations to President McKinley, for some office, which they will never get. With foreign missionaries whining about being in need of this and that In the face of all these things and more, the future looks gloomy. We fear it cannot last a great while longer. PANDEMONIUM IN AUGUSTA, GA.
The possibility and favorable probability that Lawyer J. W. Lyons, of Augusta, would be appointed postmaster there by President McKinley, against whom no charge could be even hatched up except that he was a gentleman and a scholar, has raised the greatest excitement ever known in tieman and a scholar, has raised the greatest excitement ever known in that locality. Lawyers, merchants, the exchange, doctors, ministers of the gospel, women by the hundreds, etc., dave sent petitions and telegrams without number to the President, cabinet members, and to the President's wife, to "save them from the diagrace of having's colored man for postmas-

REV. HENRY HARTLEY, M. D., of British Guiana, writes us a very im-portant letter, but we are unable to make out his postoffice address, nor-can we find anyone else who can, even our postmaster. We will therefore be compelled to decline an answer, as we do not know how to reach him by letter. We wish our foreign brethren would remember that the people of another country cannot understand their initials as a general rule and es-pecially when they half form their letters and often then when they write with blotting or blurring pens. Rev. ter."
And yet the bulk of the big Negroes of this country would try to berate, belittle and run down Liberia, where they could not only be postmasters, but anything up to the presidency. If the American black man does not go to Africa, the sooner he starts to hell itself the better. For the whites have determined that the colored man shall be nothing in this nation. As we see determined that the colored man shall be nothing in this nation. As we see it, any Negro who will oppose African emigration in the face of this determined degradation of our race is an ass and a consumate fool. If the big Negroes have no sense, we say to the common members of our race, prepare to leave this country, and get out of its osoon as you can, for we are doomed, doomed, doomed! If Lawyer Lyons is the man we think he is he will leave this country at once, as he has withwe have pieze of manuary publication and they are writter both sides of the paper and there no figures to tell how the pages and you sign your name so artistical

as that is so minch more difficult to procure, we are willing to bear with that a while longer, but we believe that the use of leaven bread and fermented wine in the sacrament is sinful. This is the third time we have made this statement through the official organs of our church in the last ten years, and we trust we shall not be compelled to make it again. It does not appear that any man who has some enough to study his Bible, has good manners, will ask any Bishop to some create what God's word disallows.

REV. HENRY C. PARKER, pastor of Brown Chapel, West Detroit, Michigan, departed this life Monday, April 12th. Elder Parkër was born in Kentucky 1834, went to Detroit when a young man, professed religion and joined Bethel church under Elder J. A. Warren. Was licensed to preach by Rev. G. C. Booth, was ordained a deacon by Bishop Shorter and elder by Bishop Turner. He leaves a widow and one son. Brother Parker was a good man and in some respects great. PENSIONS for ex-slaves is the theme of a large number of letters sent to this office. We have stated before that Senator Thurston, Feb. 6, 1896, introduced a bill—by the request of some colored people—in the United States senate to pension all the old slaves, 60 years of age and upward, and that the said bill has never been noticed since. Senator Thurston, birm. and that the said bill has never been noticed since. Senator Thurston, himself, who introduced the bill, would not vote for it. Such a bill may pass a hundred years after the proclamation by President Lincoln, or in 1963. So if you will live until then, you may get a pension, and please do not bother this office with any more of your foolish letters 'till then.

REV. W. H. JONES of Selma, Ala, has a full report of the District Conference of Presiding Elder Brooks, in which he highly compliments the P. E. and all concerned, but we cannot find room for it. Gracious, how much matter for the paper, and not money enough to pay for one page, much less four pages. four pages.

REV. E. J. PENNEY is the Chaplain of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute—scholarly, courteous, liberal and able in the pulpit and on the platform. We were also pleased with Mr. Warren Logan, the treasurer, and Prof. J. H. Washington, the brother of Books T. CHAPLAIN PENNY, of Tuskegee In lished:

SEED your district conference and Sabbath-school convention reports to one of the Christian Recorders. We have enough matter on hand to fill a newspaper as large as a folding door

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esident Barnaby, of Hartsville Col lege, Survives a Serious Illness Through the Aid of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

The Hartaville College, situated at Hartaville, Indiana, was founded years ago in the interest of the United Brethren Church, when the state was mostly a wilderness, and colleges were scarce. The college is well known throughout the country, former students having



A. Banks.

The above is a specimen of scores of postal cards and letters which come into this office from time to time. The reader will see that this ignorant preacher writes from nowhere. Yet he expects us to send the paper, but where are we to send it? He gives us no address at all. Moreover, no such person subscribed to us, we have every name, both upon our memorandum and subscription book, and we take nobody's money til after we write the name. Thus we know he is trying to either take advantage or is too ignorant to know what he did. A reporter recently called at this famous seat of learning and was shown into the room of the President, Prof. Alvin P. Barnaby. When last seen by the reporter Prof. Barnaby was in delicate health. To-day he was apparently in the best of health. In response to an inquiry the professor said: "Oh, yes, I am much better than for some time. I am now in perfect health; but my recovery was brought about in rather a peculiar way." "Tell me about it," said the reporter. "Welf, to begin at the beginning," said the professor, "I studied too hard when at school, endeavoring to educate PROF. ALVIN P. BARNABY.

Bisnor Grant was right when he said to us, "If you stand the wear and tear of the Sixth Episcopal District, at your age of life, you will surprise me." We have tried to answer the calls of District Conference, Church dedications, Corner-stone laying, as many-rallies as possible, to settle feuds and disturbances, and run here and there and then come home, and find hundreds of letters, write 'till three, four and five o'clock in the morning, and sometimes 'till daylight, dictating a part of the time to two secretaries, struggling with the Vocza or Missions, with no time to look in a book, nor even to see what the scores of newspaper exchanges are saying. And every hour in the day somebody calling, and some never know when to leave. And a wife quarreling about us working ourself to death. And doctors advising us to leave everything a month and take rest. And a tumor growing on our side, which will either kill or prostrate us soon. And stacks of letters piled up, that we cannot read, much less reply to. And secretaries assying. "Bishop. von ought to give said the professor, "I studied too hard when at school, endeavoring to educate myself for the professions. After ompleting the common course I camere, and graduated from the theolog here, and graduated from the theological course. I entered the ministry, and accepted the charge of a United Brethren Church at a small place in Kent county, Mich. Being of an ambitious nature, I applied myself diligently to ny work and studies. In time I noticed that my health was failing. My rouble was indigestion, and this with ther troubles brought on nervous-

"My physician prescribed for me for ome time, and advised me to fake a change of climate. I did as requested and was some improved. Soon after, I ame here as professor in physics and hemistry, and later was financial agent of this college. The change agreed with me, and for awhile my health was better, but my fluties were heavy, and again I found my trouble returning. This time it was more severe and in the winter I became completely prostrated. I tried various properties of the second completely prostrated. I tried various eletely prostrated. I tried various Finally I was able to return to my du-ties. Last spring I was elected presi-lent of the college. Again I had con-iderable work, and the trouble, which dent of the college. Again I had considerable work, and the trouble, which had not been entirely cured, began to affect me, and last fall I collapsed. I had different doctors, but none did me any good. Professor Bowman, who is rofessor of natural science, told me of his experience with Dr. Williams of his experience of his me and the second gave great relief, such as I had never experienced from the treatment of any physician. After using six boxes of the medicine I was antirely cured. Today I am perfectly well. I feel better and stronger than for years. I certainly recommend this medicine.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills

REV. R. B. HIGHTOWER, missionary P. E., writes that he has erected a church at Enon Ridge, near Birmingham, Ala., and has left it out of debt, while there was nothing there when he went. He has turned the work over to Rev. H. Griffin and now proposes to move on and shell the woods of his district. Hightower has been visited by the Bishop and has been highly

Rev. Drs. FLIPPER, Alexander and Revs. Flagg and Simmons of Atlanta, are having great revivals and hundreds have been added to the Church. Dr. Lee of Macon, has nearly reached four hundred conversions and accessions. Grand Ministers.

Rev. A. C. Linton of Bronwood, Ga., writes the full account of his Easter service and the able sermon delivered by Rev. E. Lowery, P. E., and refers in glowing terms to a number of young ladies, who delivered entertaining and instructive essays.

REV. W. M. STORRS of Heflin, Ala has built a church with only four-members, where preachers have failed for 14 years. Where there is a will there is a way, and a great man, like Bro. Storrs, projects the way.

REV. E. A. SHEPHEARD, P. E., says that the Athens District Conference has been postponed from July 23 to August 11th and will be in Athens at that time. The Bishop will be pres-

The Central Railroad of Georgia, since it has fallen in other hands, is most accommodating. There appears to be a disposition to grant any favor in the bounds of possibility. Rev. Thomas Anderson of Tuske

gee writes a glowing account of the Opelika District Conference, Rev. I. N. Fitzpatrick, P. E., but it is crowd-ed out, with nearly a dozen others.

REV. J. H. Hilson, P. E., residence 32 Newton street, Atlanta, Ga., writes a most complimentary letter about the Ministers on his district. They would all be proud to read it, but we have no space in our columns, being crowded out.

J. B. Schell, of Kibbee, Ga., describes the easter service as surpassing
anything ever known in that section
been mothian sermon. Several interesting
papers were read and every one seemed the bast.

what to the annoyance of the rider, but it has a faint horse car suggestion which keeps the public on the lookest. Nowhere in Europe did I see the bruisi quadrupedal "scorching" that is such a nuisance and such a danger with as. Another device I found to be in very general use in Tyrot. This is a snap-clip for holding the front wheel is line with the machine, so that it may be stood against a tree or any other support without falling. It is useful in pushing up hill with the hand on the saddle. The direction is changed by lifting the hind wheel to right or left. The clip is set or released in a moment.

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EASTER DAY RETURNS FROM Rev. R. H. Coleman, Winches-THE WEST VIRGINIA CON-FERENCE. EASTER DAY RETURNS

M. C. Harris, Madison Boone county 8 1.00 A. Smothers, Weston 2.00

ts From the Fort Valley District. FORT VALLEY, GA., April 19, 1897. Editor Voice or Missions: The th session of the Fort Valley Dis-et Conference concluded a most suctrict Conference concluded a most suc-cessful session at Butler, Ga., March 24, 1897, Rev. F. F. Boddie presiding. We had a distinguished visitor—with-its, Rev. W. Newman, P. E., of the Columbus district, who presched a thoughtful and soul-stirring sermon. The following churches were repre-sented: Talbotton Station, Fort Val-ley, Howard, Culloden, Series, Green-ville, Prattsburg, Philadelphia, Wel-burn Hall, Butler and Rock, with the following Missions: Whitewater,

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we found at the close of the confermee that our financial reports was wanty per cent in advance of last sear. During the meeting we had impressive sermons delivered by the ollowing brethren: Revs. D. J. Lawence, J. D. Davis, L. L. Reynolds, C. Bassell, F. J. Rezves, W. H. Ohnson and Rev. Swindole, from the both Macon District, who preached a excellent sermon on Saturday norning.

During the district meeting we obtained six subscribers to The Voice or fusions, three to the "Southern Recorder and two to the "Christian Recorder and two to the "Christian Recorder." All of the local preachers and enhorters in my district have compiled with the law of sub-cribing for mit literature. In fact, we are moving doing in the Fort Valley district on all ince. Speaking of our mission work, se have built up four mission work, se have built up four mission work. Se have built up four mission work. Se have built up four mission work. The Fort Valley district in advance of last year on its financial reports for missionary webs.

Morris Brown College.

commencement exercises of dere Brown College will be held The y 27th to June 2nd inclusive. Brown

May 31st, 8 p.m., annual address by ter sermon.

and concert. Orators: Charles S. Harper "'99," Sparta, Ga.; A. Linton Roseborough, "'99," Cuthbert, Ga. Roseborough, "99," Cuthbel Andrew J. Johnson, "1900," T ville, Ga.; Robert L. Pope, "1900," Th theus, Ga. Essayists: Albertha H. Halsey

Essayists: Albertha H. Halsey, "1900, "Americus, Ga.; Selena A. Kendrick, "1900," Columbus, Ga.; Hattie D. Jackson, "'99," Columbus, Ga. June 2nd, 10 a.m., commencement. June 2nd, 3 p. m., annual meeting of the Trustee Board.
The graduate this year is Miss Mary Gholikely, of Augusta, Ga., from the normal department.
The closing exercises will be held at Bethel A. M. E. Church.
The curriculum of the college has been greatly enlarged and now provides for ten distinct courses. The fall term will begin Sept. 1st. all term will begin Sept. 1st.

The Pittaburg Conference Branch Woman's Mite Missionary Convention will convene in Bethel A.M. E. Church, Williamsport, Pa., July 1, 2, 3 and 4, 1897

All Societies in the Conference dis trict are requested to send delegates and contingent money to help defray the expense of the convention. Names of delegates must be sent to the Cor-responding Secretary before April 15th, '97.

MISS AGNES VACTOR, Sec.

REW. C. MAX MANNING, of Liberia,
Africa, says in a personal letter that
Presiding Elder Snelson is equal to
any emergency in Sierra Leone. Mr.
William Tulip says that God created
my Lord Snelson just to come to Africa
and save the African Church, which
will be the Church of Africa in the
souring day.

Bav. W. D. Coox, D. D., of Bridge
Street A. M. E. Church, Brooklyn, N.
X., collected \$120 for missions Easter
Sabbath, April 18th. Rev. J. A. Johnson, D. D., of the Metropolitagis M.
E. Church, Washington, D. C., collected on the same day \$118. Only
two dollars less than Dr. Cook. There
are giants in these days.

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Grand Exercises and Service.

Loyal Missionary Observance of Easter.

Sierra Leone Conference True To the

Old Church. Speeches, Dialogues, Sermons, Etc.

Etc. BY REV. F. G. SNELSON, A. M., PRE SIDING ELDER,

1.24
4.00 Rt. Rev. Bishop Turner, Atlanta, Ga.:
1.25 Dear Venerable and Venerable
5.16 Father: May the richest blessings of
4.50 our Heavenly Father sustain you!
With us Easter, 1897, was a glorious
1.00 day. For weeks it had been looked

tion 1.00
T.W. Haighler, Chattanooga 4.30
Mrs. M. A. Grant, Cleveland 1.77
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John N. Abby, Memphis. 10.00
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At Bethel Church, Scarcies River, an excellent membership is at work with the following officers: President, Sister Ruffle; Vice President, Sister Davis; Tressurer and Secretary, Sister J. J. Coker.

At Rotumba a membership of 15 sisters are striving to excel all others in the Conference. Faithful are its officers and loyal to their church. They christened themselves the Mrs. Bishop Campbell's Parent Mite Missionary Society:

Society: President, Mrs. Jane E. Roberts vice president, Mrs. Sallie Deering; secretary, Brother S. L. Hunter treasurer, Sister Moree. Elder Decker's church in Freetown

word.

Before 10 o'clock Easter day the Church was crowded from pulpit to threshold. Every foot of space was filed with chairs and benches to accommodate the inrushing throng. A bush arbor had been erected on the one of the appointments that raised one 31.00 last year, raised \$10.00 this year.

This goes to show the rate of adrancement in which we are moving though one of the appointments, the result of the highest degree of anxious interest manifested. Elder Geo. D. Decker, the result of the highest degree of anxious interest manifested. Elder Geo. D. Decker, the highest degree of anxious interest manifested. Elder Geo. D. Decker, the highest degree of anxious interest in which we are moving the faithful pastor; Rev. H. M. Steady, was not onducted the beautiful Wesleyan conducted the province of the conducted the con Brown, the organis and decorations over the large photographs of the Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, added a grandeur to the scene which beggars description.

Your humble Presiding Elder, assisted by the Holy Ghost, delivered the Easist terms of the serious of the serious

into full membership. The holy com munion was administered and the morn

munion was administered and the morning service closed.

At 3 p. m., the grand Easter concert came off. Dr. Parks' programs did not reach 'tis. We can never forgive him for so soon forgetting that Sierra Leone has some interest in the A. M. E. Church. So we made our own pro-E. Church. So we made our own program. Rev. Geo. D. Decker is a hero.
The vast throng of beautiful young women and handsome young men of the most intelligent and interesting programs I have ever seen rendered on a similar occasion. I present below a few specimens of the dialogues.

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Salutatory was delivered by Bro. Rosineau, who introduced a boy of the Yoruba tribe, who spoke as fol-

Jonathan—Well, my grand friend, somehow or other we always meet. What's up this afternoon?

Afthur—Easter celebration, old fellow, something like our Children's Day last, but with very slight difference. One has reference to the Church and the other to Sunday school.

Jonathan—Yes, I would have given you the trouble of going over the grounds for explanation, but the opening speech has thrown a great light on the object. But how many times a year does this occasion take place?

Arthur—Once a year, of course, as all other events. You know, this being the first celebration of its kind in this church, makes it rather strange to you. But our pastor determined to make it a point to have it celebrated every year—Easter time of course.

Jonathan—I find, Arthur, that your chirch, like my Church, goes in a great deal for fast days and other Church eereutonies, so that there is very little difference between our Protestant Episcopal Church. I feel quite at home.

Arthur—Yes, Jonathan, we observe the control of the last 25 or more years, but hanks be to Almighty God, its a secret no longer with me; and, as I love my openle above all people (naturally so, you know,) I am going to let them have it.

I have been a secret keeper all my life, and now I have one of the great-

the necessaries necessary to keep up lives and to run the work.

Jonathan—Thank you, my dear friend. You have given me all the information I want. It will be cruel for me to keep you standing. Shake my hands. I wish you all success. Success to your grand Pressiding Elder! Success to your devoted pastor, and success to the officers and members of this Church.

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Miss Eliza—Well, my friend, you must understond that the Mission work and Easter are inseparable. Before our Savior ascended to heaven, He instructed His disciples to "go into all the world and preach the pospel to every creature," and it is all but right whenever Easter comes to remind the church of their duties to the heathens. So the African Methodist Episcopal Church makes it her standing rule to have such a gathering at Easter remind her members of their duty. Hence this gathering.

ering. Miss Janet—Ha, ha, ha, but col-

lection follows this business—on a Sabbath day, too! Can't one hold Mis-sonary gatherings without money has something to do with it? Miss_Eliza—For shame dear to hear you talk like that. Moneys are either consecrated or unconsecrated. Easter moneys are consecrated, because they moneys are consecrated, because they are for a very noble and good object. Don't you think these pictures around you cost money. Don't you think we could not send out Missionaries to preach the gospel without money. Don't you think that it cost the devoted Pastor of this Church a great deal of money to build this Church. Pray, look at your dress even. I decline saving more.

scholar in church history; but you see my taste for reading is not inclined in that direction. I determine from this

you and to all'my friends.

The special address of Mr. Davis or "Will the Heathen Ever Be Convert-ed?" was a thoughtful and well-pre-pared one. The Presiding Elder was then called for and he took occasion to then called for and he took occasion to introduce our Bishops, whose portraits adorned the Chapel, and urged the young men and women to make themselves worthy of the inheritance which their fathers had so nobly planted and their mothers so faithfully fostered.

The collection for the day for missions was \$6. (202).

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The collection for the day for missions was £5 (825). Dear Bishop, how is that for a mission church?

It is highly probable that all our churches have done well for missions this Easter. Reports have not yet been received, but all will be reported in full at our District Conference next week, when all the Pastors will be present.

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I leave this week for my fourth tour through the interior. Pray for us!

We are championing the cause of Christ and advocating the principles of African Methodism, each one of us in our place and station, and every day witnesses some triumph of our labors. New Zion A. M. E. is in course of erection. Already the exprenters are as work, the masons are busy, parts of the funds are secured, and filled with energy ourselves and trusting God for results we are leaving no stone unturned to soon shelter our fold and protest our spiritual interests.

testant Episcopal Church and your African Methodist Episcopal Church. I feel quite at home.

Arthur—Yes, Jonathan, we observe those fast days which the Christian care to guard against Popish observances, auch as "praying to saints," "kissing Mary's toes" and other such childish fooleries. Apart from these we are all alright.

Jonathan—That's very good; but do you raise money on Easter, too?

Arthur—That's number two, old boy. This day is Missionary day. The Missionaries are looking up to us earnestly for their support. And every farthing collected today will go to help them in the good work. Moneys must be paid out to pay their voyage out and we must supply them with all the necessaries necessary to keep up lives and to run the work.

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ANOTHER DIALOGUE.

Miss Janet—Well, Miss Eliza, I am so glad to accept your invitation to this meeting. Well, what is all this fass about?

Miss Eliza—About Easter, my dear. It is a great pity you do not know the insportance of this day, and you must not blame us if we are fussy about it. Miss Janet—Pray, do give me some light on the supplied, as you well know that I am curious to know everything. Miss Eliza—The Christian looks as the beginning of the great work of human redemption. So you see how important the day is.

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Miss Janet—But you talk of Missionary gathering, as I could see from the august assembly this afternoon, and a noble chairman sitting at the head to preside over its business and more, also, surrounded by the bright faces of young men whom the colony looked upon as the intellectual men of the day. What is this?

on yourself, but get a move at once "make hay while the sun shines," be cause the chance to go to Africa fo less than \$20 will not last always, and

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My native country, thee, Land of the black and free, Thy name I love; To see thy rocks and rills, Thy woods and matchless hills, My heart with rapture thrills, Like that above.

When all thy slanderous In the bosom of Sheel, Forgotten lie,

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The following subjects are liereby published for each Minister in Alabama and Georgia to select one, and prepare a paper upon the same which he can read in ten minutes before the Ministerial Institute, which will meet in Columbus, Ga., Wedneeday, September 1st, at 10 o'clock a. m., and remains in session at least three days. All who will do so, are requested, after they prepare their paper to commit the same to memory, and, while they will hold their paper in their hands, we hope as many as can, will

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H. M. TURNER.

SYSTEMATIC AND DIDACTIC THE

OLOGY.

I.—What is the Trinitarian argument against Arianism?

II.—How do we get the doctrine of foreknowledge out of the Bible?

III.—Can we accept the fact of foreknowledge and yet not be able to explain the mode?

IV.—What do we mean by the tarm Divine Attribute?

natural science?

XI—Do the scriptures tell us how long man has existed on earth?

XII—What are the authentic traditions respecting man's origin?

XIII—What are the reason's for rejecting the Darwinian theory respecting unan's origin?

ing man's origin?

XIV—What is the point at issue between those who hold the dichotomist theory and those who hold the trich-

make to Deity?

XXVII—What is the orthodox position respecting the person of Christ?

XXVIII—What are the main ideas the Bible gives us of Christ's atoning XXIX-What two Calvinist ideas

the grace of God do Methodists re-ject?

XXX—What three terms do we use in speaking of a work of grace?

XXXI—What three elements in

the early Christians?

III—What is the theory of inspiration bequeathed from Judaism?

IV—Give the specific arguments most relied upon as proof of Goal's existence?

V-What is the relation of God's

V—What is the relation of God's omnipotence to the power of sin? YI—What is the distinct evidence that some writers saw in the ideas of Plato an image of the Logos? YII—What is the general position of the early Church as to creation? YIII—What are the views respecting the nature of unfallen angels? IX—What is the relative eminence ascribed to Adam?

X—What is the occasion for emphasis upon Christ's possession of a real body?

XI—Give the reference to Christ's

XI—Give the reference to Christ's descent into Hades and the work which He was supposed to have accomplished there?

XII—Give the sense in which the divine predestination was nuderstood in the first period of the Church?

XIII—What was the rise of the idea and the name of the "Catholic Church?"

XIV-What was the sense in which

ation?

XVI—Give the practice and teaching respecting infant baptism.

XVII—What is the evidence that the doctrine of trans-substantiation had no advocates in the early Church?

XVIII—What were the indications



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VI—What does the first chapter of Genesis?

VI—What does the first chapter of the members of the Mission ary Society of the A. M. E. Church, North Ohio Conference Branch.

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VII—What does the Bible teach about the fallen angels?

VIII—What are the main objections to the personality of satan?

IX—What is the positive argument or satan's personality?

X—What are the to the personality of satan?

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X—What are the opinions respecting the origin of the race? (1), In history? (2), In philology? (3), In natural science?

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E. Church reads thus:
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ing man's origin?

XIV—What is the point at issue between those who hold the dichotomist theory and those who hold the trichotomist theory?

XV—What are the theories for the origin of the soul? (1), As to the parts of man? (2), As to the difference between the soul of a man and that of an animal? (3), As to the origin of the human soul?

XVII—Define conscience, (1) as to what it does not do; (3) illustrate the working of conscience?

XVII—What are the views respecting the freedom of the will?

XVIII—In what two things did the image of God consist?

XXI—What does the fall result, (1) subjectively, (2) objectively?

XX—What are the main theories for the origin of sin?

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XXI—What does the Scripture teach respecting the humanity of Christ?

XXII—What are the two heretical views which do not recognize the humanity of Christ?

XXIII—What was the meaning of the Jews' son of man?

XXIV—What are the principal heresies denying the Deity of Christ?

XXV—What is the difference between Socianisms and modern Unitarianism?

XXVII—What claims does Christ was to Deity?

XXVII—What is the orthodox po-

AN EXPEDITION INTO EAST AFRICA

Galla and Somali lands to lake Rudolf was recently read before the Royal Geographical Society by Dr. A. D. Smith.

in speaking of a work of grace?

XXXII—What three elements in
faith?

XXXII—What is the difference between the witness of our spirit and that of the Holy Spirit?

XXXIII—What is the distinction between the Holy Catholic Church and the invisible church?

XXXIII—What is the true idea of the Christian ministry?

XXXV—In what sense is the call to the ministerial office double?

XXXVII—What is the authority for Christian Sabbath?

XXXVII—What is the authority for infant baptism?

XXXVII—What is the argument for infant baptism?

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HISTORY OF DOCTRINE.

I—What are the actual contributions f heathen philosophy to early Christian theology?

H—What were the uncertain limits in the Old Testament canon among numerable tribes. Animals were here. This section is very fertile—a series of well watered valleys, lofty mountain ranges, and cool, delightful plasmany.

To the west of this was a very open, undulating, grassy country, with scarcely a tree, and sloping to the south as far as Lake Stefanie. Beyond south as far as Lake Stefanie. Beyond the river Dowa the altitude varied from 2,000 to 3,500 feet, with peaks rising 2,000 feet higher. South of the lake it became gradually flatter and lower, with less rainfall. There are many evidences of volcanic action. Iron ore and coarse granife abounded and mountains of shining white quartz ammonites were also found near the Dowa.

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sional attempts at petty thieving. The valley above Stefanie was inhabited by Arbore. A tribe of dwarfs was also met, the Dume, whose average heigh met, the Dume, whose average height was only five feet. They are wooly haired and very black, with flat noses and large lips, but very graceful and well formed. They live in little hamlets of about fifty small huts each, seattered amongst the mountains, and own sheep and goats; a little millet is raised by them.

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There were no roads, and ridg 2,000 feet higher than the surroun ing country had to be crossed. Ho

The doctrine of trans-substantiation had no advocates in the early Church?

XVIII—What were the indications that the theory of a personal reign of Christ upon earth, prior to the general indement, was very prevalent in the early Church?

XIX—What is the evidence that the early fathers believed in an intermediate state?

XX—What are the opinions as to the possibility of escaping from Hades before the resurrection?

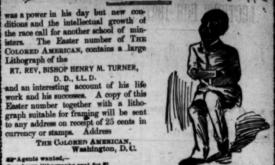
XXII—What was the argument used to establish credibility of the resurrection in the first period of the Church?

XXIII—What was the evidence of a common belief that the general judgment is to seal permanent fortunes of souls?



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attes.

Among the almost numberless ranks of our graud regiment, the beloved A. M. E. Church, we, too, in Liberia, Grand Bassa District, are marching steadily forward in the rear; though slowly, we are also bound for Zion.

We desire to give vou some information about our District Conference, which took place on the 26th of February, with the Rev. B. C. Curtis, Presiding Elder, as our head presiding. The Conference was convened at L. Buchanan in Bethel A. M. E. Church at 10 o'clock a. m.

The religious exercises were controlled.

After the devotional exercises, the Presiding Elder addressed the Conference and informed them of their duties and also that of ordained ministers, local preachers, exhorters and officers in our churches, which was very touching to all present.

n, Bev. J. T. Cole was elect-y and reporter to THE VOICE The roll called, and all present and

o order and proceeded to business and appointed the various committees.

The Rev. E. T. Lewis, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church, reported a Bethel A. M. E. Church, reported a lively progress on his charge, which was cheerfully received and approved, with \$1.85 collection from his congre-gation in aid of the District Confer-

The committee on various subjects agreed that their respective reports would be forwarded to the Conference on the following day.

The chairman asked: "Has this chapel, Bethel, any deed."
"No," was the answer.

The reason having been explained, the Conference, on motion, appointed Brothers S. T. Gross, G. W. Eayne, C. H. Johnson as a committee to draw up the deed for the Bethel A. M. E. Church, Lower Buchanan, and Revs. E. T. Lewis, J. P. Lindsey, Brothers J. E. Johnston, L. A. Beck to draw the deeds of H. M. Turner Mission Station. Harlandvill Station.

Dozology, and benediction by Rev. P. Lindsey.

Night session.

At 7 o'clock, in pursuance to adjourn-

hear a sermon from Brother S. P. Gross, a liceutiate of our church.

Brother A. F. Holt opened the servi-Gross, a liceutiate of our church.

Brother A. F. Holt opened the services by lining hymn on page 255, and prayer being offered, the preacher chose his text, 126th Psalm, 6th verse.

The discourse was soul-stirring. At the close of the sermon Rev. W. H. Prosser, of the Baptist Church offered prayer which shook the very souls of saints and sinners. "Mercy" and "help, Lord!" could be heard from the lips of the congregation in every direction, Benediction by the preacher; Conference adjourned until 10 o'clock the next day; collection \$3.85. day; collection \$3.86.

2D DAY'S PROCEEDINGS—MORNING SES-SION, FEBRUARY 27TH.

ded in his usual calm, but

The report of C. A. White by Rev. A. Redd to the Conference was read before the Conference, was received and

approved.

Conference adjourned till 7 o'clock
p. m. Doxology and benediction by
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XIGHT SERSION.

At the precise hour of 7 o'clock p.m.

Rev. E. T. Lewis ascended the rostrum, lining hymn on page 149 and prayer offered. The prescher took his text from the 14th chapter of Erodus, latter clause of the 15th verse. He was listened to with the greatest attention. His discourse was logical and full of instructions. At the close of the sermon Rev. A. Redd offered prayer. Doxology and benediction by the Presiding Elder. The meeting adjourned till next day 10 o'clock s.m.

prayer. Doxology, the Presiding Elder. The meetals, journed till next day 10 o'clock am. Collection 70 cents.

SARBARH DAY—MONING SESSION.
At an early hour, long before the speaker arrived, the chapel was densely crowded, as the doors of the other chapel were closed, excepting the Episcopal. Every one was over auxious to meetals by the copening hymn was lined by the Presiding Elder, found on page 363, which was sung with pathos. Prayer offered by Rev. S. J. Smith. After the readilities in the was sung with pathos. Prayer offered by Rev. S. J. Smith. After the readilities of the complete of the same of the same performed the liturgic services. The ficers are performed the liturgic services. The sides of the same of th masterly manner that the whole time he was on his feet the audience were kept spellbound. We are thankful to God that in the midst of our grief it has pleased Him to supply the wants of our Churches in the person of Rev. L. C. Curtis, P. E. At the close of the sermon the sacrament of the Lord's supper was administered. Benediction by Rev. J. T. Carney, pastor of the M. E. Church. Collection \$2.64.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 3:30 o'clock the congregation reassembled. Hymn on page 436 was sung. Prayer offered by Rev. J. T. Carney. After the preliminary exercises had been performed the Presiding Elder introduced the apeakers to the congregation. His text, Ephesians if chapter, 19 to 21. The discourse was sublime and very much appreciated. At the close Rev. W. H. Prosser offered prayer.

Benediction by the speaker. Adjourned till 7 o'clock p. m. Collection \$1.26.

NIGHT SESSION.

The night services began at 6:45

The night services began at 6:45 o'clock, earlier than usual. The building was thronged with annious hearers, who came to witness the closing session. Rev. J. T. Cole lined hymn No. 1, "Before Jehovah's awful throne," was sang with spirit. Prayer offered by Bro. J. J. Prosser, of the Baptist church. Scripture lesson by the Rev. J. T. Cole, Gen. 28th chap. The Presiding Elder introduced Rev. Schofield as preacher for the night session. He took his text, Gen. 28th chap., 12th verse. The subject was chap., 12th verse. The subject was dealt with in a two-fold manner, moral and spiritual, which was very impressive. At the close of the sermon the committee on finance ability of the people reported. The report was received and approved with the necessary corrections. The Presiding Elder ceived and approved with the necessary corrections. The Presiding Elder gave a short address to the congregation concerning the duties devolved upon us as a race. He complimented the friends and wellwishers of our Church for the kindness they showed to us during this session and the liberal manner that they came forward, both heart and pocket. He promised the district to arrange for the Annual Conference, which we were expecting since last year. Rev. J. P. Lindsey, on ghehalf of Conference—members, members of our Churches and visitors, returned a hearty thanks to the Presid-

delignment and 10 o'clock the next day collection \$8.96.

Bear Secretary of the District Concrete the Conference of the Control of the Contro

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May grace, mercy and peace abide with you! Greeting:

The District Conference and Sabbath School Convention will commence on Thursday, April 29, 1897, at the Mahera A. M. E. Church, on the Rokelle River, Sierra Leone.

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I have great experience as to the manners and customs of different natives with whom I have been living and many of whom, under God, I have been instrumental in lesding to the foot-stool of Christ for pardon. Many sought it and found it, and became members of his Church, and others have worked up their way in the Church and have come up as I have. I am in grace today, having been made Ekdertof the Methodist Church in Liberia. Some of these men I have the as probationers and nursed them as probationers and nursed them until they received the first license to exhort from my hand. Well might Jacob truly say, "I am not vorthy of the least of all the mercies and of all the truth which thou hast shewed to the servator, for with my staff I passed over this Jordan and now I am become two bands," and truly I am to trace my active Christian life from Lagos to Liberia, and from Liberia to Freetown, the capital, to this from Freetown, Sierra Leone, and from Freetown, Sierra Leone, and from Freetown, the capital, to this heathen country called Magbelly, a solid massive structure of heathen elections, where young women of between ment, where young women of between the age of fourteen to twenty years are their home.

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with an eye single to God's glory.

The arrival of Presiding Elder Snel-The arrival of Presiding Edger Sheison in our midst is very opportune, so far as I can judge of him, though some persons may, perhaps, think it rather premature to say of a foreigner who has not been in a place long yet. They are not alwa a correct in their judgment. It is an apothem that coming events cast their shadows before hand. ment. It is an apothemn that coming svents cast their shadows before hand. We have seen this in the life of Esaw and Jacob, who, before their birth, have been struggling together in the womb of Rebecca and in the time of her delivery how the one took hold of the other's heel, and in subsequent life how the very one supplanted his brother and obtained the birthright, so it is truly said that coming events do often cast their shadows beforehand. Professor Snelson is a man of high lit-

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LADY MARIE DUCHATELLIER

Mr. Editor-We believe that the readers of Voice or Missions will be pleased to learn that in this corner, pleased to learn that in this corner, on this grain of sand thrown on the edge of the great shore of the universe, secret societies are to be found. Quite true, many and many look upon them so frowningly; libel them so unthinkingly that it seems as if they believe them to be the fates and furies; nevertheless there are those who know that these organizations recognize the G. A. O. T. U. as the all-father and men of every hue and clime as brothso it is truly said that coming events do often cast their shadows beforehand. Professor Snelson is a man of high literary culture combined with a spirit of meekness quite unlike some men of his literary stauding. Besides this, he is a man of talent and pride; pride in the prosperity of the church of his choice. He is energetic and of great active spirit not to be cidle. He had not been in a rectown a month when he visited all the A. M. E. mission stations in this section of the country. Our mission station in this Magbelly river is more or less one hundred miles from the comely one. The members of the church choir remembered to be the country had been and the complex of the control of the comely one. The members of the church choir remembered to be in creetown a month when he visited all the A. M. E. mission stations in this section of the country. Our mission station in this Magbelly river is more or less one hundred miles from Freetown harbor, and yet this is his second visit here. He made the first from Freetown on the 3d of this month with the Rev. C. W. Cole, formerly an Elder of the M. E. church of Grand Bassa, Liberia Very delicate problems confronted him on his first visit here. The enemies of our church and of God had been at work, but Elder Snelson took load of the difficulties with a master hold of the difficulties with a master hand, held his quarterly conference with magnificent success and conducted the religious services of the Sabbath with sublime effect, and on his leave left a happy and rejoicing people and subdued, seemed all devotion. The

with magnificent success and conducted the religious services of the Sabbath with sublime effect, and on his leave left a happy and rejoicing people that God had seat them a Presiding Elder so efficient. I trust the church at home and abroad will pray for him, that he may long live for the service of the Master on this quarter part of His vineyard. The native chief of this place, Pa Suba, gave him a most cordial welcome. I regret very much that I cannot here present the noble speech that the Presiding Elder made to him on the African M. E. Church and its purposes and future, but suffice it to say that the royal chief was perfectly captivated by his remarks, and in turn gave us overy assurance of his future interest and co-operation with us in our work hers.

Then Presiding Elder Snelson presented him several pieces of clothes. Our Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church here has a great future for good before it. The re-roofing of this Church is now in progress under the personal supervision of the Pastor and Presiding Elder. We are organizing our Auxiliary Farent Mite Missionary Society with the following officers: President, Priscills Zizer; secretary, Suaannah Warg; vice president, Larian Wilson; treasurer, Rosamond Chinsman; director, Rev. C. W. Cole. We shall try to prepare clothing for naked children so that they can enter our achool, and we shall make streamons efforts to make Easter a great day in Allen Chapel and thus show our personal appreciation for what the Parent Mite Missionary Society, Philadelphia, is doing for us. I make this appeal to the A. M. E. Church in America that you will please furnish the Presiding Elder with an A. M. E. mission boat, that he may be able to press his work with greater facility and itinerate among us more offers and at less expenses.

Fraternally for God and Humanity and for Africa and the A. M. E. Church, C. W. Cole., Pastor Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church in C. W. Coles, Pastor Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church in C. W. Coles, Pastor Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church in C. W. Coles, Pastor

cases whence venomous eyes, regard his visitors with futile fury, is belieged by ladies covetous of novelties for their stalls, who beg eloquently for the cast-off clothing of his reptilian pets.

"At times," he says, "I have on hand a large wardrobe of cast skins-a bankrupt stock, so to put it, of "esturned

bankrupt stock, so to put it, of 'returned empties'—some perfect, many 'misfits' and a few damaged goods. A really fine appeciate in the this"—he held up for admiration a tawny golden sheeny length of scales—'brings quite a high price at a bazaar, and many of my lady riends, weary of working the everlasting 'crewel,' or perpetuating the many useless inventions of the femmine needle, 'bespeak' a skin some months before it is due, and are often quite angry that I cannot induce a snake to shed his skin with due regard to a specified bazaar date.
"These ladies argue that it is great saving of labor to substitute the ready ankrupt stock, so to put it, of 'return

saving of labor to substitute the ready made clothing of the snake worked for a tobacco pouch or blossoming braces, while experience shows that the average man readily invests in a good snake skin."—New York Herald.

The Microbes of Rinderpest.

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Professor E. Symes-Thompson recently delivered at Gresham College a course of four lectures on "Bacteria and Disease." Referring to the investigations now being made into the cause of the rinderpest in South Africa, he expressed his belief that the microbe discovered by Dr. Eddington at Grahamstown might be regarded as the microbe of rinderpest. Professor Roch appeared to have ascertained that the organisms could be transferred from animal to animal, for instance: The disease produced was much milder than in the case of others. It would probably be found that the incculation of the less virulent form of rinderpest would render cattle immune to the more virulent form, exactly as vaccination rendered us immune to small pox.—London Invenmune to small pox,-London Inve

Where Ignorance is Bliss, "What," he demanded severely, must we think of a woman who tries

o be like a man?"
"That she doesn't know him," answered his wife.

He made no rejoinder, but there was a subtle comething in the way he went and shook down the furnace to suggest that his mind was even yet not entirely at rest—Detroit Journal.

Joke Is on Him,

"You know the mean tenant that Chipper is always complaining about?"
"Yes."
"Well, Chipper thinks he has an awful good joke on him. The tenant-burned up one sfde of the coal shed for kindling wood and now the neighbors get in at night and steal his coal.". Cleveland Plain Dealer:

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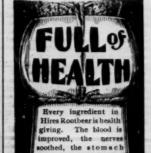
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"I called at his office," said the wit-

"And in consequence of what he told you to do, what did you do?" inquired Assistant District Attorney Sughrue.
"Went straight to police headquar-

ters," replied the witness.

It is needless to add that the solemnity of the court was disturbed for the next five minutes.

An Intimate Acquaintance.

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Daisy—Oh, Dolly, I have had such a nasty, spitaful, anonymous letter!

Dolly—Who was it from?

Daisy—I don't know; can you guess?

The wicked creature says I am a vain, silly, frivolous, chattering, overdressed, empty-headed fiirt.

Dolly—I really can't imagine, but (reflecting) I think it must be some one who knows you quite well, dearest.—Tit-Bits.

Poor Fellow.

Bacon—Cousin says he can count all of his relatives on his two hands. Egbert—Well, I don't see why he shouldn't; that's where he seems to have them most of the time.—Yonkers Statesman.

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A FORMER ARTICLE REVIEWED.

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Epron-Little did I think m. EDFROM.—Lattle did I talk, in I was penning the article which hared in your last issue, that I id stir up things to such an extent beare not only a Bishop, but the bright of our Church, and in assimation the greatest Negro liv-

my estimation the greatest Negro INing, reply to me.

I acknowledge, in the beginning of
this article, that I am incapacitated to
do battle with this giant mind. Experienced in literary wars as he is, I did
not expect to have to do with the senior
Bishop of our church. I confess, I
thought there would be replies, reprimands and even hisses, but thought
that they would come from another
source. However, defense is necessary, for more reasons than one, so I

be illogical.

Now let us see if the things contained or referred to in the article were true. I ask all fair-minded men to carefully peruse the article that appeared in the last issue of Tax Voice or Missions, together with the Bishop's (severe) criticisms, and then turn to this.

to this.

The Bishop asks, "How can a man wait so long, when he is only a young man?" This question is considered by the writer as a personal one, and, necessarily, claims his attention first. In the article referred to I made no In the article referred to I made no reference whatever to myself (thoughts of myself were far from me). Every Presiding Elder under whom I have labored can truthfully testify that I have never grumbled at a single ap-pointment, nor have I ever shown and degree of dissatisfaction whatever, but I.

the Bishop says, "We is, and one which the writer dare not tempt to deny; neither will he atmpt to deny the scripture, which yes: "Man looks upon the outward operance, but God looks upon the sart." Surely the good Bishop will-tdeny that. Not only do the masses our people, but the men who are in a lead, denominate these our greatten. The measure which the shop gives above is the correct one use; but it will be admitted by all at but few men use the Bishop's easure.

The Bishop, in his editorial, named few men whose funerals he appoint-d the writer to preach, assisted by a there. The writer would like, to scan the good Bishop's list, then make out another list. Now and then make out another list. Now let us see: The Bishop names Rev.J. H. Hilson, an aged father in the North Georgia Conference, who was recently promoted to the Presiding Eldership, and though his labors have been untring and efficient, still it is highly probable that he would not have been appointed to the position if another had not died. Why was he kept waiting so long? He mentioned Rev. L. H. Smith, who, in my estimation, is one of the

and yet, since he was first appointed to the Presiding Eldership, he has

and Albany. He is now serving his second year at the latter place. And sow these are some of the fine whose funerals the good Bishop would have us preach. Truly, they have been kept waiting.

Now, let us pause and look at this list. I present the names of a few men who have made good records, and who are in the class that the writer would like to see promoted. In the Georgia Conference we have the following, viz. J. F. Campfield, Jos. Collier, H. W. Whittaker, W. N. Berry, I. Coachman, G. W. Kimbrough, G. R. Baas, R. Ford, M. R. Granderson, D. L. Jones, G. W. Gamble, J. H. Casar, P. H. M. Brockens, G. D. Jordan and R. H. Stewart.

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In the North Georgia Conference we have: J. A. Lindsay, S. B. Sims, R. T. Matthews, W. H. Mance, J. H. Adams, A. J. Miller, J. M. Lee, M. E. Cawthorn, P. G. Simmons, D. Strickland, and U. P. Tolbert and, oh, a host of others that we could mention. Why not give these men an opportunity, then the writer would see the necessity of the young men aspiring, but these men must continue to wait,

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AND LEADERSHIP

Voice or Missions:
Where are we now?
Well, here we are, the most of us scattered all about, geographically speaking, as sheep having no shepherd, and 90 per cent of us living in somebody else's house and paying almost two prices for rent, and compelled to do so or get out only to get into somebody else's house, also to be driven from that as the owner may wish.

into somebody else's house, also to be driven from that as the owner may wish.

Brothers, sisters, friends, is this not true in hundreds of cases? If true, then let us speak right out with fearless hearts and say so.

Well, as a race, I am fully persuaded to believe that we will never be able to demand our rights in this country and obtain them.

Do you think we can get our rights in this country where we had the good fortune to be born with one drop of Negro blood in our veins?

Well, I have been thinking and praying over the condition and surroundings of our people for many years, and I have settled down permanently upon my former conclusions that the Negro race will never be able to rise to that state of dignity and (recognized) 'manhood that characterizes that of the Caucasian race, "Wherever the sun does his successive journey runs," within the limits of the United States.

I have a cloud of witnesses to that fact—they are too numerous to mention — everybody knows it— every schoolboy knows it.

To say that Africa is a great country is the least term that we can use in its praise. But before I say much about Africa let's consider the subject of leadership.

In the antedeluvian age the descend-

ing preached in its purity to the heathen.

Let us pray that God may send us such a leader that will prepare a plan for our people to go to Africa for a fare less than what has yet ever been known and that God may annoin him as He did Moses, for this great work. To whom shall the arm of the Lord be revealed?

Somebody must take up our cause and go forward for us.

Who shall it be?

May God give us proper conception about this important matter is the earnest prayer of your unworthy servant. Yours for God, Africa and the race,

T. A. Duklaff.

Don't See It That Way. Pullman Company Wronged

The Rev. Mr. Cain, who was sus

The Rev. Mr. Cain, who was sustained by the courts of Texas in his suit against the Pullman Car company, has been generously applauded by the Afro-American press as a hero and a brave defender of the rights of his people. The writer, however, doesn't see it that way.

As I understand it, the Pullman Car Co. sold Mr. Cain a ticket from St. Louis to Galveston, Texas. When he reached the Texas line he was ejected by the conductor of the International and Great Northern railway. The conductor in charge of the Pullman car had nothing to do with his ejection. This being true, it would have been the proper thing for him to have brought suit against the International railway.

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In the antedeluvian age the descendants from Adam in both houses. "List of leadership."

Cain and Sheth or Ethel-Mohe hother of the Both of Markam, the three houses, Shem, Ham and Japheth, had their leaders, and men of mark.

The Israelites, in Moses, had seleader, afterwards devolving upon Joshus, a leadership that the world has never known to be beaten.

In short, all the races of markind, from Adam to Christ, had their respective leaders in their various movements and unstrakings.

When we look over the great work accomplished by these mighty heroes, we see clearly that the experiences of the past show conclusively that it requires competent leadership to the Gentiles were divided "X. 2.5."

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